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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of

claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A gait generating device of a legged mobile robot for

generating a desired gait of a legged mobile robot that travels by moving a plurality

of legs extended from its body, comprising:

permissible range setting means for setting a permissible range of a

restriction object amount, the restriction object amount being a vertical component of

a floor reaction force moment to be applied to the robot or a component of the floor

reaction force moment in floor surface normal line direction, or a vertical component

of an angular momentum changing rate of the robot or a component of the angular

momentum changing rate in floor surface normal line direction;

provisional motion determining means for determining a provisional motion of

the desired gait such that a resultant force of a gravity and an inertial force acting on

the robot satisfies a predetermined dynamic balance condition on a predetermined

dynamic model; and

provisional motion correcting means for correcting the provisional motion to

determine the a motion of a the desired gait by changing the changing rate of an

angular momentum of the robot from the provisional motion, while limiting the

restriction object amount to the permissible range on the dynamic model if the

restriction object amount defined by the provisional motion of the desired gait

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deviates from the permissible range.

2. (Original) The gait generating device of a legged mobile robot according

to Claim 1, wherein a motion to be corrected by the provisional motion correcting

means is a motion of a body of the robot or an arm extended from the body.

3. (Original) The gait generating device of a legged mobile robot according

to Claim 1, wherein, in the motion of the body of the robot or the motion of an arm

extended from the body, the motion to be corrected by the provisional motion

correcting means is a motion that changes the vertical component of the angular

momentum changing rate of the robot or the component of the angular momentum

changing rate in floor surface normal line direction while substantially maintaining

the position of center-of- gravity of the robot at the position of center-of-gravity

determined by the provisional motion.

4. (Original) The gait generating device of a legged mobile robot according

to Claim 1, wherein the robot is a robot equipped with two arms extended from the

right and left sides of the body, and the motion to be corrected by the provisional

motion correcting means is a motion for moving the two arms forward and backward

relative to the robot in opposite directions from each other.

5. (Original) The gait generating device of a legged mobile robot according

to Claim 1, wherein the desired gait is a gait in which a landing period during which

at least one leg of the robot is landed and a floating period during which all legs are

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floated in the air are alternately repeated, and the permissible range is set to

substantially zero at least during the floating period.

6. (Original) The gait generating device of a legged mobile robot according

to Claim 1, comprising:

desired vertical component determining means for determining a desired

vertical component of a translational floor reaction force of the robot or a desired

vertical component of a total center-of-gravity acceleration or a desired vertical

component of a body acceleration,

wherein the permissible range setting means sets the permissible range on

the basis of a desired vertical component determined by the desired vertical

component determining means.

7. (Currently Amended) The gait generating device of a legged mobile robot

according to Claim 1, wherein the predetermined dynamic model is a dynamic model

that describes at least the relationship between a motion to be corrected by the

provisional motion correcting means and a floor reaction force as a relationship

between a rotational motion of a flywheel, which is rotative about a vertical axis or a

floor surface normal line axis, and a floor reaction force.

8. (Original) The gait generating device of a legged mobile robot according

to Claim 1, wherein the provisional motion correcting means determines a motion of

the desired gait such that the motion of the robot to be corrected if the restriction

object amount deviates from the permissible range is approximated or matched to a

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predetermined reference motion trajectory in a predetermined period during which

the restriction object amount determined by the provisional motion lies in the

permissible range.

9. (Original) The gait generating device of a legged mobile robot according

to Claim 1, wherein the desired gait to be generated has a current time gait

generated for each predetermined period to be used for an actual motion of the

robot, and a normal gait, which is a virtual cyclic gait following each current time gait

and which is used for generating the current time gait, and the processing of the

provisional motion determining means and the provisional motion correcting means

is carried out when generating the current time gait and/or a normal gait following

the current time gait.

10. (Original) The gait generating device of a legged mobile robot according

to Claim 9, wherein the permissible range setting means sets the permissible range

of the current time gait and the permissible range of the normal gait following the

current time gait on the basis of a required parameter of the current time gait.

11. (Original) The gait generating device of a legged mobile robot according

to Claim 10, wherein the legged mobile robot is a bipedal mobile robot having two

legs, and the required parameter includes parameters that define the landing

positions/postures for two steps of the distal portions of the legs of the bipedal

mobile robot and parameters that define the gait cycles of a first step and a second

step.

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12. (New) The gait generating device of a legged mobile robot according to

Claim 1, further comprising means for generating the desired gait.